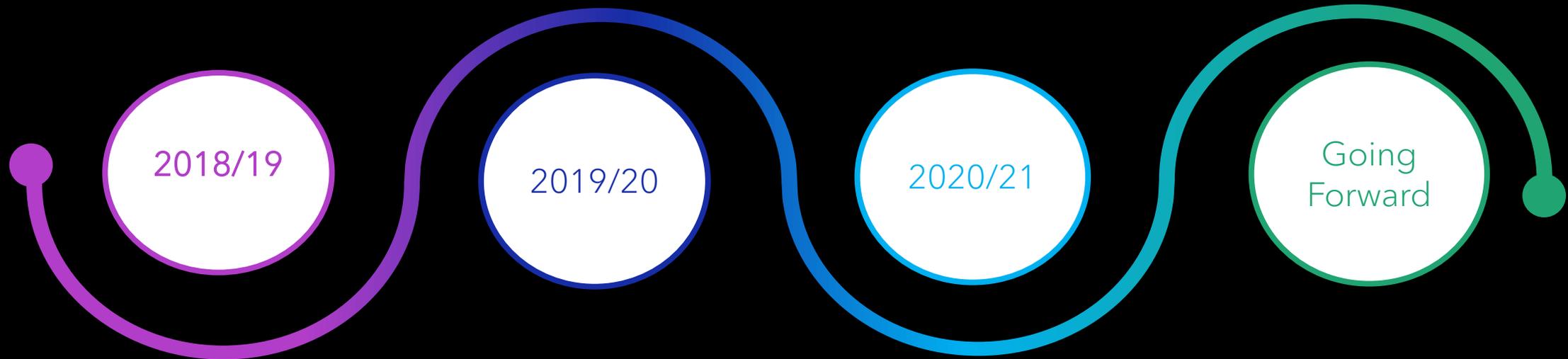


# LEARNER VOICE PROJECT - COLÁISTE EOIN



## 2018/19

- Inspection/Recommendations
- Whole School Brief
- Focus Group Consultation
- Analysis of Data
- Learner Voice Report Written

## 2019/2020

- Feedback to Students
- Feedback to Staff
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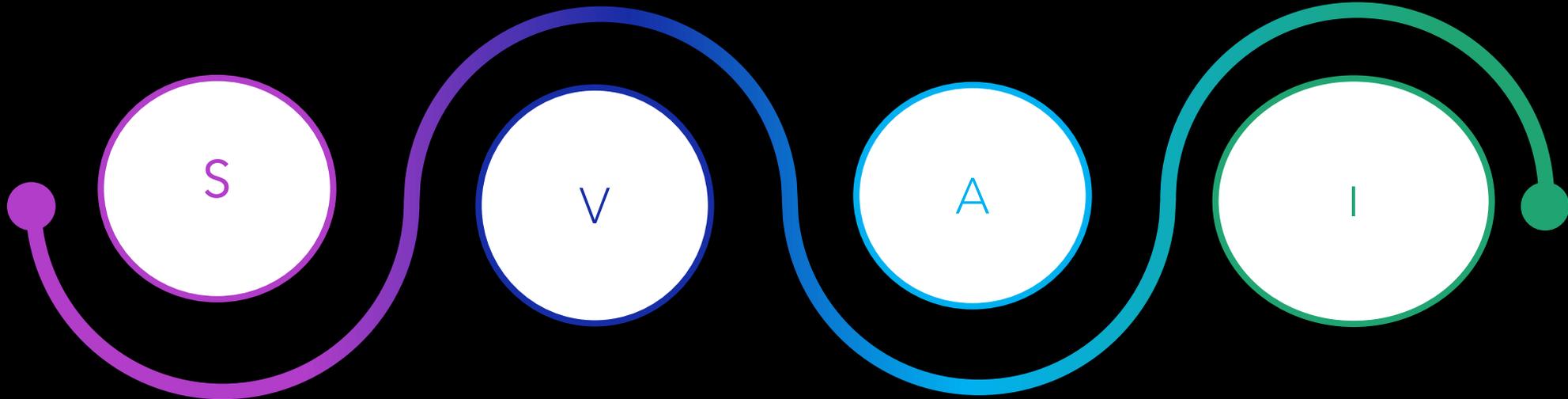
## 2020/2021

- Covid Check in
- Code of Behaviour
- Sanctions Review
- Reboot(?) of Initiative

## Creative Schools

- Pilot School Training
- Student Consultation
- Identification of Interest areas
- Staff upskilling - CPD

# 2018/19



## SPACE

Focus Group, April 2019

Random sampling of Students (all years, all nationalities & ethnicities represented)

## VOICE

Report back to whole staff

Report back to whole student body

## AUDIENCE

Student Survey on learning.

## INFLUENCE

Staff Focus Group on workshopping AFL in classes

# STUDENT FOCUS GROUP APRIL 2019

What helps you Learn?

Talking & interacting

Teacher facing us, having a conversation

A game (like Kahoot) on what you are working on

What Happens when you don't understand something in class?

Post-its telling the teacher how class was for students are good

Traffic lights and thumbs up from teachers are good

Depends on teacher some help, some don't

How important is the atmosphere in the classroom?

When a teacher is in bad humour they put you in bad humour

Easing into class is good, if a teacher asks "how was your weekend?" Vs "Take out your books"

Sound is a teacher in a good mood... can have a laugh with them... gestures, smiling, talking to you, telling you what you are doing today

What sort of classroom do you like to learn in?

Colourful rooms are nice to be in

Circular tables with different students

Class noticeboards should have happy displays

Grouped desks so you can help each other

# STUDENT SURVEY MAY 2019

What we asked our students...

Do you want to go on to further education or training when you finish school?

Do your teachers talk to someone at home about your work?

Do your teachers encourage you to work hard?

Do you get to use the computers and tablets often in school?

Do you get support at home to help you with your school and homework?

Do your teachers tell you how to improve your work?

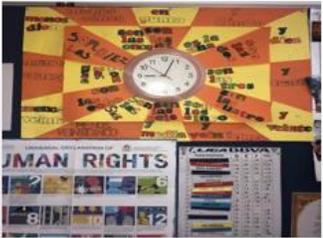
Do you only stay out of school when you are sick?

Do you like coming to school?

# STUDENT RESPONSE POSTERS

## Atmosphere

### ATMOSPHERE



- Coming to class and school on time
- Welcoming and positive attitudes
- Respectful relationships – friendly, cooperative, supportive
- Making mistakes is part of learning

Images designed by students & their views on what helps them to learn.

## Environment

### STIMULATING CLASSROOMS



- Colourful
- Motivational/encouraging posters
- Students' work
- Celebrations of success

# STUDENT RESPONSE POSTERS

## Feedback

### FEEDBACK ON WORK



- Homework requires 100% effort
- Homework needs to be corrected
- Negative feedback privately/not compared to others
- Feedback needs to be specific
- Students would like more positive comments

### FEEDBACK ON MY WORK

TELL ME WHAT I'VE DONE  
WELL AND WHAT I NEED TO  
DO TO IMPROVE



# STUDENT RESPONSE POSTERS

## How they learn

### WAYS OF LEARNING



- Variety keeps students engaged
- Learning has to be interactive
- Questioning important to make students think
- Groupwork popular **when organised well and roles assigned**
- Active teachers are more engaging

## Culture

### RESPECT

- Students' respect for teachers
- Teachers' respect for students
- Students' and teachers' respect for each other's learning



# STUDENT RESPONSE POSTERS

## Classroom Designs

### VARIED LAYOUTS



- U-shaped
- Grouped in squares/circles
- Rows
- Semi-circles – no desks

## Phone Usage

### PHONES

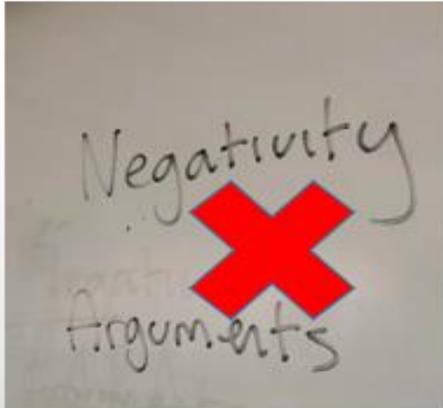


- Distracting but can be useful
- Use when required for learning only

# STUDENT RESPONSE POSTERS

## Challenge Negativity

LET'S GET POSITIVE!



## Positive Mindset

EVERY DAY IS A NEW DAY



# STUDENT FOCUS GROUP DECEMBER 2019

What happens in classes you enjoy?

All depends on the atmosphere in the class, if you look around and people are slouching and asleep they're not learning but if they're up and active then they'll learn

If people are having fun they are learning (Eg: Kahoot vs writing down from the board)

If it's quiet then people are paying attention

How happy are you with yourself as a learner, do you try your best, participate, ask questions, do homework?

I always try to do my best as this year is exams. I feel I am working harder than last year.

When I started to study I noticed an improvement in my grades, I knew things in class this made me happy and kept me motivated.

I'm doing okay but I'm not giving my best, I could put more energy into it.

Things that stop me from participating is when you start thinking your answers aren't right

I don't participate because I don't like asking questions, I'm shy and don't like speaking in front of people

I ask questions and ask people to explain

I don't like reading, I'm afraid of what people say as some love reading

# STUDENT FOCUS GROUP - DECEMBER 2019

Are you enjoying learning in Coláiste Eoin?

Does the behaviour of others disrupt your learning?

Students enjoy teachers being more interactive with them, that make it good to learn

I like that some teachers are interactive, I have a good relationship with teachers and find some to be understanding if I am having a bad day

Yes

It depends on the class really.

I like when learning is turned into games, like when we play Connect 4 in music

It's a mixed bag depending on the class

Messers stop you from learning. I stop others from learning

One person can stop the rest of the class from learning

# STAFF SURVEY ON ENGAGEMENT DECEMBER 2019

We asked our Staff...

Have you contacted home with positive comments this year?

Which methodologies do you use - Teacher Demo, group work, TEL (YouTube, Kahoot etc.) role-play, walking debate, project work, smart phone research or apps

How often do you set (& correct) homework?

Do you use - Pairs of desks facing/side by side, horseshoe configuration or group clusters of desks in your classroom?

Do you provide students with positive comments on Class/homework?

How often do you provide detailed contrastive feedback?

# STAFF SURVEY ON ENGAGEMENT DECEMBER 2019

To what extent in your teaching do you....

Demonstrate respect for students

Treat all students fairly?

Allow students who apologise for poor behaviour to start afresh

Get Students to believe they can do well

Invite students views in order to adjust your teaching

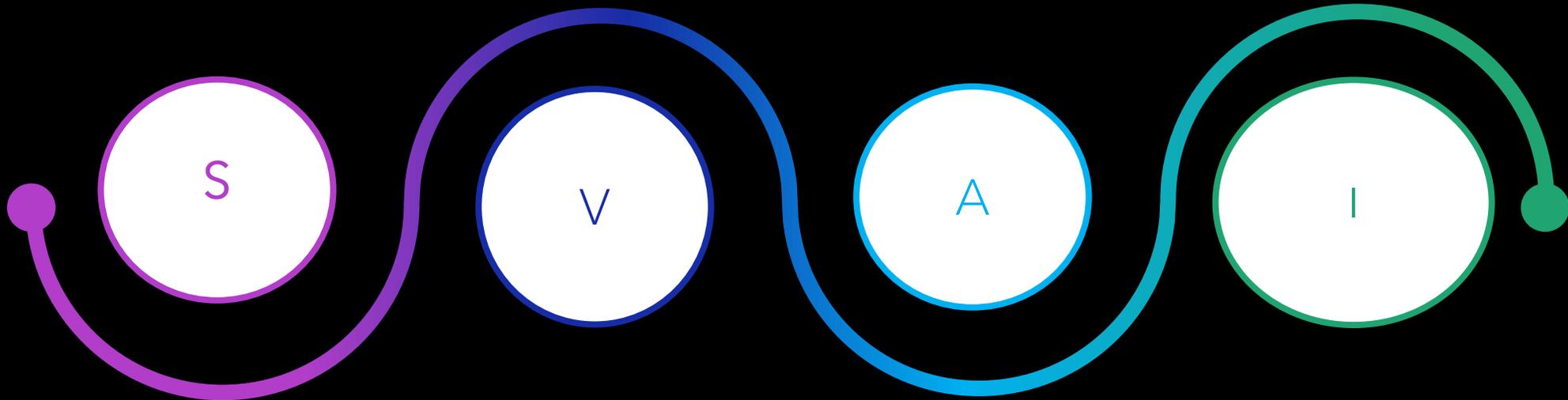
Create a stimulating classroom environment?

Share learning intentions/success criteria with students?

Facilitate a range of methodologies?

Align feedback to success criteria

2019/20



### SPACE

Interim Check-in

3<sup>rd</sup> Student focus group

Interim report January 2020

(Cancelled Focus Group April 2020)

### VOICE

Feedback to Students on changes resulting from focus group, surveys etc.

Feedback from students on learning in Lockdown

### AUDIENCE

Staff Survey on methodologies & engagement

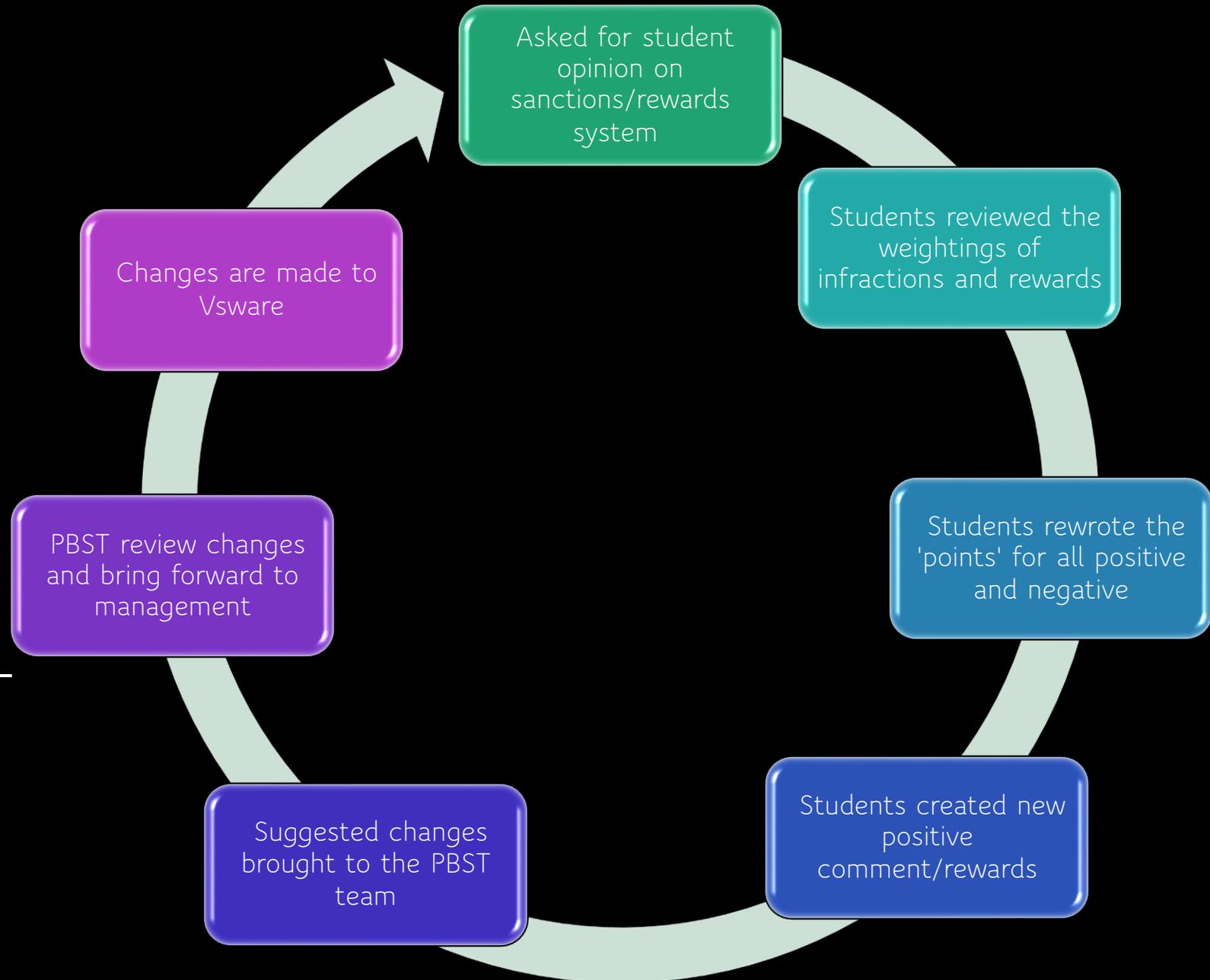
Staff workshops on AFL and Instructional leadership

### INFLUENCE

Staff CPD on formative assessment

Consultative Group Meetings  
Reviews of Relevant articles in CE Context

# TY WORK ON SANCTIONS NOVEMBER 2020



# STUDENT VOICE SURVEY NOVEMBER 2020

9. Do you think that the ways teachers are teaching because of social distancing are...

[More Details](#)

● ... making it harder to learn	24
● ...not making much difference ...	43
● ...making it easier to learn	6
● Other	1



1. With the Covid Measures and Social distancing in place in Coláiste Eoin, have you felt safe in the school since you returned in September?

● Yes	28
● No	11
● Most of the time	26
● Some of the time	9



# COVID SURVEY NOVEMBER 2020

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6. Do you think that putting in a lunch order and getting lunch in your room is

[More Details](#)

[Insights](#)

- better than having lunches in t... 19
- worse than having lunches in t... 21
- Makes no difference 17
- Other 17



10. Do you think that having a base classroom is.....

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[Insights](#)

- better than having a different ... 19
- worse than having a different ... 22
- makes no difference 23
- Other 10

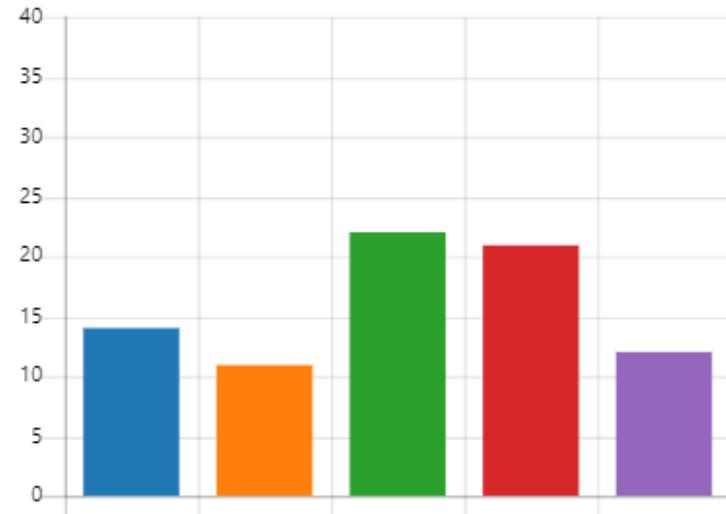


# STUDENT VOICE SURVEY NOVEMBER 2020

8. Wearing a mask in class makes .... (tick all answers that you agree with)

[More Details](#)

<span style="color: blue;">●</span> No real difference	14
<span style="color: orange;">●</span> It hard to hear the teacher	11
<span style="color: green;">●</span> It hard for the teacher to hear ...	22
<span style="color: red;">●</span> You feel uncomfortable	21
<span style="color: purple;">●</span> It hard to concentrate on what...	12



# — COVID SURVEY - NOVEMBER 20

What would you change about Covid Measures and Social Distancing in Coláiste Eoin to make things better or easier?

To have 2 mask breaks a day and be able to use our lockers

I think it would be better if the teacher stood 3 metres away from the students and take off their mask so we can hear them better

More time outside to breathe, it make it easier to learn when you can think and breathe properly

I would add less stricter social distancing for students and I would also add that we can talk to other years for a short amount of time.

Having a teacher in each pod at lunch time to make sure no one is going beside each other when there not supposed to

# STUDENT VOICE SURVEY NOVEMBER 2020

What would you change about Socially Distanced Teaching & Learning in Coláiste Eoin to make things better or easier?

Stop putting pressure on us to cram last year into this year (6th year student)

Small classes and 2 metres away from everyone

I would like to be able to move to different classes like before Covid-19

More learning on our phones so we don't need to keep using paper and if we're using our own phones and we're less at risk

# STUDENT VOICE SURVEY NOVEMBER 2020

What would you change about Behaviour Expectations and Consequences in Coláiste Eoin to make things better or easier?

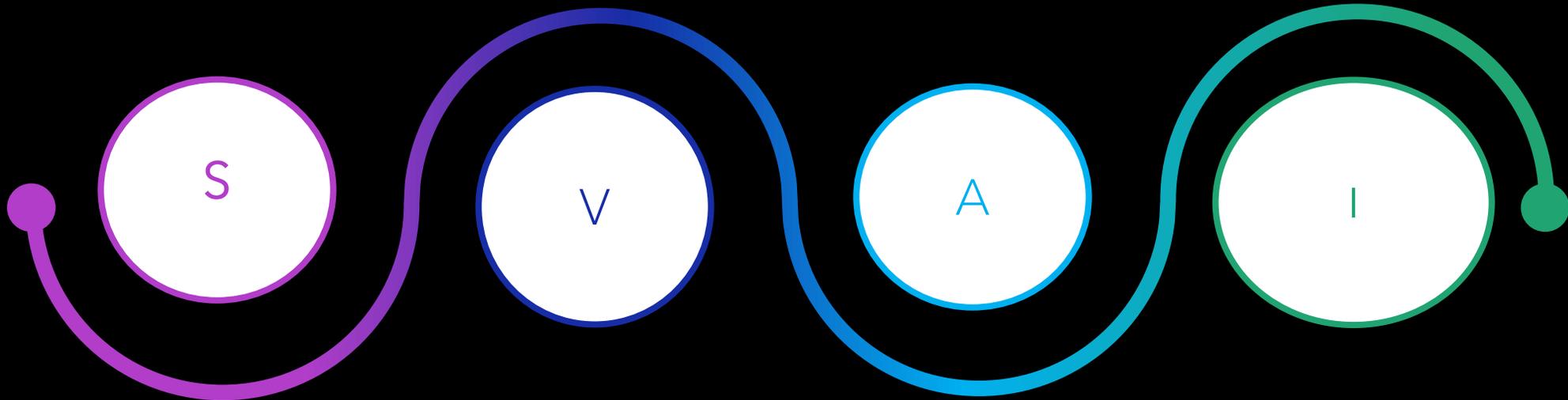
Give us more room to move around instead of staying in the same class all the time, it would drop behaviour and makes students less hyper

If one student does something wrong, everyone shouldn't fall with them

It shouldn't be different rules for different people

Its legitimately freezing. Teachers get to wear as many layers as they want... students should get to wear their coats if its cold. How will not shivering make you less able to learn?

# 2020/21



## SPACE

Student survey on learning and wellbeing (Covid)

Student upskilling in MS Teams

## VOICE

TY work on VsWare Sanctions and points

3<sup>rd</sup> focus group rebooked for January 2020 - regroup, reboot

## AUDIENCE

Feedback to staff on survey results

Updating of VsWare to reflect work done by Ty Class

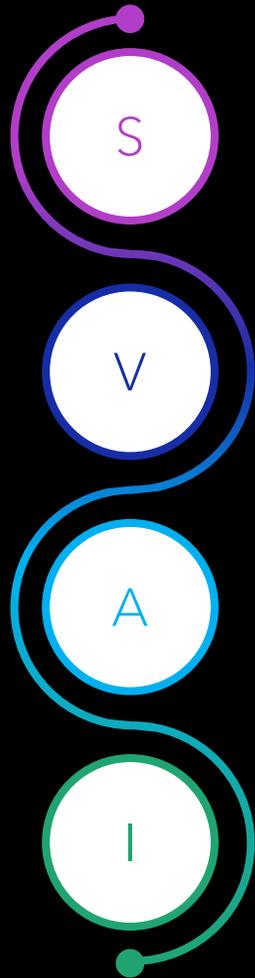
## INFLUENCE

Staff transition to & upskilling on a single TEL platform (MS Teams)

Creative Schools Project

TEL Initiative (Selfie Pilot) to inform Digital learning strategy

# CONTINUING THE JOURNEY

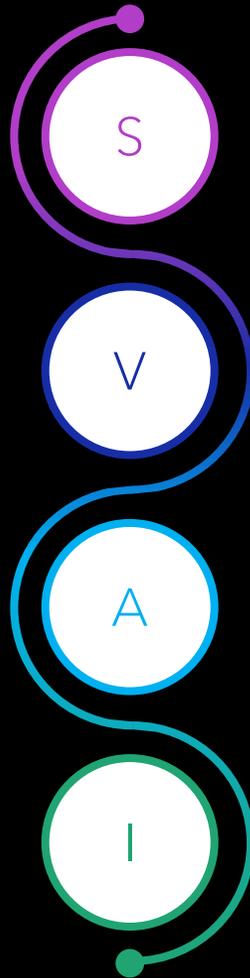


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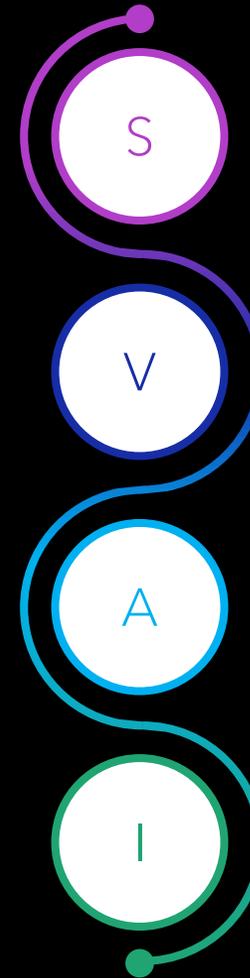


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Space  
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